

**REMARKS**

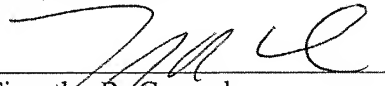
With traverse, Applicants hereby elect to proceed with species I (Figs. 1 and; claims 1 – 3, 6 – 11 and 14 – 17). Claim 1 is generic to both of Species I and II and is allowable.

With this election, Applicants cancel claims 18 – 20 (while reserving all rights to file divisional applications. Claims 1 and 10 are amended and new claims 21 and 22 are added to clarify a static end may be secured near a bony structure.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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